TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2005/003079

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING CATALYST LAYER ON SUBSTRATE CONSTITUTING MEMBRANE ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY											
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Applicant(s) herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:											
1.	\boxtimes	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C 371.									
2.		This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.									
3.		This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items									
	_	(5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.									
4.		The US has been elected (Article 31).									
5.	\bowtie		A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).								
		a.									
		b.	\boxtimes	has been communicated by the International Bureau.							
		C.	_ LJ 	is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).							
6.	\bowtie	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).									
		a.	\boxtimes	is attached hereto.							
		b.		has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).							
₹.	\boxtimes	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).									
		a.		are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).							
		b.		have been communicated by the International Bureau.							
		C.		have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.							
		d.	\boxtimes	have not been made and will not be made.							
8.		An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).									
9.	\boxtimes	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).									
10.		An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).									
Iten	ns 11	to 2	0 bel	ow concern document(s) or information included:							
11.	\boxtimes	Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98									
12.	\boxtimes	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.									
13.		A preliminary amendment.									
14.		An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.									
15.		A Substitute specification.									
16.	\boxtimes	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.									
17.		A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.									
18.		A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).									
19.		A second copy of the English language translation of the international application 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).									
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The following fees	The following fees have been submitted:									
21. BASIC NATIONAL	BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)):									
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23. Search fee (37 CFf If the written opinion of the IS IPEA/US indicates all cl Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a) International Searching International Search Report p previously communicate All other situations	\$400.00									
			TOTAL of 21, 2	22 and 23 =	\$900.00					
Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.										
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a. A check in the amount of \$1,300.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. Please charge my Deposit Account No in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.										
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.										
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